

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF PETROL PUMPS IN H.P.
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a): whether there is no adequate facility of petrol and diesel pumps in the hilly districts of Himachal Pradesh;
- (b): if so, whether petrol pumps are available only in few towns whereas hilly people live in far flung areas;
- (c): whether the Government have received representations to set up petrol pumps in far flung areas of the State; and
- (d): if so, the details thereof and the places in Himachal Pradesh for which the proposals for the setting up of the petrol and diesel pumps are under consideration and the time by which these pumps are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): Representations are received from time to time from different parts of the country including from Himachal Pradesh. Retail Outlet dealerships are set up at the economically viable locations as per Oil Industry's Volume Distance Norms all over the country including in hilly and other areas in Himachal Pradesh. As on 1.10.1999 there were 98 retail outlet dealerships in Himachal Pradesh. Further to meet the increasing demand, 28 more retail outlet dealerships are to be set up in Himachal Pradesh.